

Special Provisions

- (1) The fire official is hereby authorized to waive or reduce Fire Code operational permit fees where he or she determines that review time is insubstantial or duplicative of reviews conducted by another city department or state official. Such waiver shall not apply to any other permit fees assessed for inspections under this Code or zoning ordinance.
- (2) **Refusal to issue Permit.** If the applicant for an operational permit describes a use that does not conform to the requirements of the VSFPC and other pertinent laws and ordinances, the fire official shall not issue a permit, but shall return the application to the applicant with the refusal to issue such permit. Such refusal shall, when requested, be in writing and shall contain the reason for refusal.
- (3) **Inspection Authorized.** Before a new operational permit is approved, the fire official is authorized to inspect the receptacles, vehicles, buildings, devices premises, storage spaces or areas to be used to determine compliance with the VSFPC or any operational constraints required.
- (4) **Revocation.** The fire official is authorized to revoke an operational permit issued under the provision of this code when it is found by inspection or otherwise that there has been a false statement or misrepresentation as to the material facts in the application or documents on which the permit or approval was based including, but not limited to, any one of the following:
 1. The permit is used for a location or establishment other than that for which it was issued.
 2. The permit is used for a condition or activity other than that listed in the permit.
 3. Conditions and limitations set forth in the permit have been violated.
 4. There have been any false statements or misrepresentations as to the material fact in the application for permit or plans submitted or a condition of the permit.
 5. The permittee failed, or refused or neglected to comply with orders or notices duly served in accordance with the provisions of the fire prevention code within the time provided therein.
 6. The permit was issued in error or in violation of an ordinance or regulation of the VSFPC.

An Operational Fire Code Permit is required pursuant to the Virginia Statewide Fire Prevention Code (SFPC). Permits are required for activities involving the use, handling, storage of substances, materials or devices regulated by the SFPC, or conducting processes which produce conditions hazardous to life or property or when establishing a place of assembly.